



Congressman Harry E. Mitchell was elected on Nov. 7, 2006 by the people of Arizona's Fifth District to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives. As a native Arizonan and former school teacher, Harry is a strong advocate for Arizona's families. He brings to Congress his commitment to honoring our veterans, practicing fiscal responsibility, securing the border, and investing in stem cell research.

Harry previously served as the Mayor of [Tempe, Arizona](#) , where he led the efforts to revitalize Tempe's downtown area, including laying the foundation for the

[Rio Salado Project](#)

and

[Tempe Town Lake](#)

. As Mayor, he expanded mass transportation and created new jobs by building partnerships with businesses, community leaders and neighborhoods to foster smart economic development. To honor his success as Mayor, the City of Tempe

[erected a 35-foot statue](#)

of Harry in downtown Tempe and renamed the city's government center the Harry E. Mitchell Government Complex.

After Harry's successful tenure as Mayor, he was elected to the Arizona State Senate, where he helped grow Arizona's economy and shape [Arizona State University](#) into a world-class academic institution.

Harry taught American government and economics at [Tempe High School](#) , the same high school he graduated from, for 28 years. He also served as an adjunct professor at his alma mater, ASU.

Harry and his high school sweetheart Marianne, who taught at Scottsdale's [Coronado High School](#) , [Tempe High School](#)

and Ahwatukee's

[Mountain Pointe High School](#)

, have been married for 47 years, and have lived in the same house in Tempe for more than 40 years. They are the parents of two children and have five beautiful grandchildren, who all live in Tempe.

Arizona's Fifth Congressional District includes [Scottsdale](#) , [Tempe](#) , [Fountain Hills](#) , [Ahwatukee](#) , [Mesa](#) ,

[Chandler](#)

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[Rio Verde](#)

, the

[Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation](#)

and the

[Salt River-Pima Maricopa Indian Community](#)

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